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March 31, 2016

Glenn Normandeau
Executive Director
New Hampshire Fish and Game Department
11 Hazen Drive
Concord, NH 03301-6500

Re: Report documenting the disposition of all permitted animals collected under a 2014 scientific collection permit issued by New Hampshire Fish and Game Department (NHFGD)

Dear Mr. Normandeau:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Region 1 (EPA) submits the following information to satisfy reporting requirements for the collection of animals authorized under a 1994 NHFGD scientific collection permit.

(1) The name and address to which the scientific permit was issued;

The permit was issued to Amy Smagula, NHDES, 29 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH 03301. Eric Nelson and Hilary Snook of EPA are listed as subpermittees.

(2) The purpose and objective of the study;

The purpose of the study was to document the presence and density of Asian clams (*Corbicula fluminea*) in sections of the Merrimack River.

(3) Species and number wildlife taken;

Only Asian clams (*Corbicula fluminea*) were collected by EPA. A total of 329 clams were collected at three locations.

(4) Age and sex, if known, of wildlife taken;

Age and sex were not determined.

(5) Location(s) where species were taken or collected, including a map for those wildlife species tracked under this license;

The locations, and number of specimens collected at each, are as follows:

<u>Sample #</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u># Specimens</u>
1	43° 8' 7.88" N, 71° 27' 47.17" W	78
2	43° 8' 11.28" N, 71° 27' 48.36" W	35
3	43° 8' 11.50" N, 71° 27' 50.10" W	216

(6) Date received or collected;

All Asian clams collected by EPA were collected on September 24, 2014.

(7) Disposition of the wildlife;

Specimens were frozen for possible additional analysis.

(8) Location where specimens are held, if applicable.

Specimens collected by EPA stored at EPA's Chelmsford Lab.

Please contact me at 617.918.1676 if you have any questions about the information provided, or request additional information related to this sampling effort.

Sincerely,



Eric Nelson

Ocean and Coastal Protection Unit